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SUBJECT: PROPOSED ARRIVAL STATEMENT BY US TECHNICAL TEAM  
LEADER

1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED ARRIVAL STATEMENT OF  
LARRY SCHEINMAN AT AIRPORT NEWS CONFERENCE. BEGIN QUOTE:

THE MEMBERS OF THE US TECHNICAL TEAM AND I ARE PLEASED  
TO BE IN JAPAN, EVEN IF IT IS THE RAINY SEASON. DURING THE  
THIRD ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS HELD IN WASHINGTON FROM JUNE 2-6,  
BOTH THE US AND JAPANESE DELEGATIONS AGREED THAT A VISIT TO  
THE TOKAI FACILITY BY TECHNICALLY QUALIFIED EXPERTS SHOULD  
BE THE NEXT STEP IN OUR NEGOTIATING PROCESS. THE PRESENCE  
OF OUR MISSION, WHICH WILL WORK JOINTLY WITH JAPANESE  
EXPERTS, REFLECTS OUR MUTUAL CONCERN THAT NUCLEAR DEVELOP-  
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MENT CONTINUE TO BE COMPATIBLE WITH PUBLIC SAFETY AND  
SUPPORTIVE OF OUR COMMON NON-PROLIFERATION GOALS. PAST  
DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON HAVE LED TO CONSTRUCTIVE AND  
ENCOURAGING RESULTS.

THE US AND JAPAN HAVE HAD A LONG HISTORY OF CLOSE  
NUCLEAR COOPERATION. WE HAVE HAD A SERIES OF BILATERAL

AGREEMENTS THAT STIMULATED FULL AND CLOSE EXCHANGES, AND

JAPAN HAS BEEN A FULLY RESPONSIBLE PARTNER IN OUR SHARED EFFORTS. THERE ARE 12 NUCLEAR POWER REACTORS IN JAPAN BUILT BY US FIRMS, OR UNDER COMMERCIAL LICENSING FROM US FIRMS, AND AN ADDITIONAL 12 US-TYPE POWER REACTORS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION. FURTHERMORE, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF FUEL SUPPLY CONTRACTS WITH JAPAN, A TECHNICAL EXCHANGE AGREEMENT ON FAST BREEDER REACTORS, AND OFFICIALS IN BOTH GOVERNMENTS ARE CONTINUALLY IDENTIFYING NEW AREAS FOR FURTHER COOPERATION. JAPAN'S ADHERENCE TO THE NPT, AND ITS RESPONSIBLE AND SUPPORTIVE STANCE IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, HAVE BEEN WELCOMED BY ALL COUNTRIES CONCERNED WITH THE GRAVE DANGERS OF FURTHER PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

THE ISSUES RELATED TO THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR ENERGY ARE COMPLEX AND OF THE HIGHEST IMPORTANCE. IT IS NOT SURPRISING, THEREFORE, THAT THEIR SOLUTIONS ARE TIME-CONSUMING AND MUST BE REACHED STEP BY STEP. WE ARE HOPEFUL, INDEED CONFIDENT, THAT THIS JOINT FACT-FINDING MISSION OF EXPERTS WILL HELP BOTH OF OUR COUNTRIES MOVE CLOSER TO THE SHARED GOAL OF THE CONTINUED AND ENHANCED ROLE OF NUCLEAR POWER IN THE FRAMEWORK OF OUR OVERALL ENERGY POLICIES. THIS MISSION IS ONE STEP IN THAT PROCESS. IT IS A VITAL AND TIMELY STEP, HOWEVER, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND WE ANTICIPATE FURTHER PROGRESS. END QUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

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